

**PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD**  
Effective October 1, 2001

Application or Docket Number

9/683003

**CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I**

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS	5 <sup>1</sup>	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	5 <sup>1</sup> minus 20 = *	-
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 minus 3 = *	-
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

\* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II**

7/26/05

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 4	Minus ** 20	= -
Independent	* 2	Minus *** 3	= -
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus **	=
Independent	*	Minus ***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus **	=
Independent	*	Minus ***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

\* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.  
 \*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."  
 \*\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."  
 The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	370.00
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	740.00
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL	740

SMALL ENTITY

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Yu, *et al.*  
Application No: 09/683,003  
Filed: November 7, 2001  
Group Art Unit: 1616  
Confirmation No: 5003  
Examiner: Frank I. Choi  
Date: July 26, 2005  
Attorney Reference: 6601-00  
Title: COMPOSITION AND METHOD

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2005, please amend the Application and consider the Remarks as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks in support of the amendments to the Claims and in response to the Examiner's assertions begin on page 3 of this Response.

Applicants respectfully request an extension of time to permit filing of a Response within one (1) month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the Office Action. Please charge the \$120 fee required by 37 CFR §1.136 and \$1.17 to Deposit Account Number 502957.

Please charge any shortage in fees or credit any excess fees during the entire pendency of this Application to Deposit Account No. 502957.

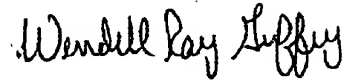
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Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted by facsimile to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on July 26, 2005 at facsimile number 571-273-8300.

  
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